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Country/ entity	Nepal
Region	Asia and Pacific
Agreement name	Second Understanding concluded between the Seven Political Parties and the CPN (Maoist)
Date	19 Mar 2006
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict ( Nepalese Insurgency (1996 - 2006) )
Stage	Renewal
Conflict nature	Government
Peace process	Nepal peace process
Parties	Sd. (Girija Prasad Koirala) President Nepali Congress Sd. (Lila Mani Pokhrel) Vice-Chairperson Janamorcha Nepal Sd. (Amrit Kumar Bohara) Acting General Secretary CPN (UML) Sd. (Narayan Man Bijukchhe) Chairperson Nepal Majdoor Kisaan Party Nepal Sd. (Nanda Kumar Prasai) Chairperosn Samyukta Bam Morcha Sd. (Sher Bahadur Deuba) President Nepali Congress (Democratic) Sd. (Rajendra Mahato) General Secretary Sadbhavana
Third parties	-
Description	Statement reaffirming parties' commitment to the 12 point understanding of 22/11/2005 and requesting local, national, and international support for the Constituent Assembly election process.

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## Groups

Children/ youth	No specific mention.
Disabled persons	No specific mention.
Elderly/age	No specific mention.
Migrant workers	No specific mention.
Racial/ ethnic/ national group	No specific mention.
Religious groups	No specific mention.
Indigenous people	No specific mention.
Other groups	No specific mention.
Refugees/ displaced persons	No specific mention.
Social class	Groups→Social class→Rhetorical Page 2, para 1: We cordially appeal to all democratic political forces, civil society, professional groups, public organisations, people from the oppressed castes and areas, media personnel and the common people to make the ongoing movement successful by actively participating in the establishment of full democracy, with sovereignty and state power being completely vested in people, through the Constituent Assembly election.

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## Gender

Women, girls and gender No specific mention.

Men and boys No specific mention.

LGBTI No specific mention.

Family No specific mention.

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## State definition

Nature of state (general) Page 1, Para 2: Here, we would like to recall that 'the agitating Seven Political Parties are fully committed to the fact that the existing conflict in the country can be resolved and that the sovereignty and the state powers can be vested completely in people only by establishing full democracy by restoring the parliament through the force of agitation and forming an powerful all-party Government by its decision, negotiating with the Maoists, and on the basis of agreement, holding the election of Constituent Assembly.

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Page 2, para 2: We also make a special appeal to the international community to extend their support in this initiation of the political parties to restore peace in Nepal for establishment of full democracy in the country, the end of the absolute monarchy, and resolving the armed conflict of the last ten years through a progressive political outlet.

State configuration No specific mention.

Self determination No specific mention.

Referendum No specific mention.

State symbols No specific mention.

Independence/  
secession No specific mention.

Accession/  
unification No specific mention.

Border  
delimitation No specific mention.

Cross-  
border  
provision No specific mention.

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## Governance

Political institutions (new or reformed) Governance→Political institutions (new or reformed)→General references  
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Elections	<p>Page 1, para 1: ...There is no doubt that the Understanding has already been approved by the people as the so- called municipality elections held by the dictatorial authority on February 8, 2006, failed completely due to the rapid wave of nationwide People’s Movement started after the 12-Point Understanding...</p> <p>Page 1, Para 2: Here, we would like to recall that 'the agitating Seven Political Parties are fully committed to the fact that the existing conflict in the country can be resolved and that the sovereignty and the state powers can be vested completely in people only by establishing full democracy by restoring the parliament through the force of agitation and forming an powerful all-party Government by its decision, negotiating with the Maoists, and on the basis of agreement, holding the election of Constituent Assembly. The CPN (Maoist) is of the view that the aforementioned goal can be achieved by holding a national political conference of the agitating democratic forces and by forming Interim Government through conference decisions and holding the election to the Constituent Assembly, and the CPN (M) expresses its commitment. On the issue of this procedural agenda, an understanding has been made to continue dialogue and seek a common agreement between the agitating Seven Political Parties and the CPN (Maoist). It has been agreed that the force of People’s Movement is the only alternative to achieve this goal.</p>
Electoral commission	No specific mention.
Political parties reform	No specific mention.
Civil society	Page 2, para 1: We cordially appeal to all democratic political forces, civil society, professional groups, public organisations, people from the oppressed castes and areas, media personnel and the common people to make the ongoing movement successful by actively participating in the establishment of full democracy, with sovereignty and state power being completely vested in people, through the Constituent Assembly election.
Traditional/ religious leaders	No specific mention.
Public administration	No specific mention.
Constitution	No specific mention.

## Power sharing

Political power sharing	Power sharing→Political power sharing→General State level Page 1, Para 2: Here, we would like to recall that 'the agitating Seven Political Parties are fully committed to the fact that the existing conflict in the country can be resolved and that the sovereignty and the state powers can be vested completely in people only by establishing full democracy by restoring the parliament through the force of agitation and forming an powerful all-party Government by its decision, negotiating with the Maoists, and on the basis of agreement, holding the election of Constituent Assembly. The CPN (Maoist) is of the view that the aforementioned goal can be achieved by holding a national political conference of the agitating democratic forces and by forming Interim Government through conference decisions and holding the election to the Constituent Assembly, and the CPN (M) expresses its commitment. On the issue of this procedural agenda, an understanding has been made to continue dialogue and seek a common agreement between the agitating Seven Political Parties and the CPN (Maoist). It has been agreed that the force of People's Movement is the only alternative to achieve this goal.
Territorial power sharing	No specific mention.
Economic power sharing	No specific mention.
Military power sharing	No specific mention.

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## Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general	No specific mention.
Bill of rights/similar	No specific mention.
Treaty incorporation	No specific mention.

Civil and political rights      No specific mention.

Socio-economic rights      No specific mention.

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### **Rights related issues**

Citizenship      No specific mention.

Democracy Page 1, para 1: It is well known to all that the historic 12-Point Understanding for democracy, peace, prosperity, progress and national independence has been reached between the Seven Political Parties, fighting for the end of absolute monarchy and establishment of full democracy, and the CPN (Maoist) on November 22, 2005...

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Detention procedures No specific mention.

Media and communication No specific mention.

Mobility/access No specific mention.

Protection measures No specific mention.



Other No specific mention.

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## **Rights institutions**

NHRI No specific mention.

Regional or international human rights institutions No specific mention.

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## **Justice sector reform**

Criminal justice and emergency law No specific mention.

State of emergency provisions No specific mention.

Judiciary and courts No specific mention.

Prisons and detention No specific mention.

Traditional Laws No specific mention.

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## **Socio-economic reconstruction**

Development or socio-economic reconstruction No specific mention.

National economic plan No specific mention.

Natural resources No specific mention.

International funds No specific mention.

Business No specific mention.

Taxation No specific mention.

Banks No specific mention.

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## **Land, property and environment**

Land reform/ rights No specific mention.

Pastoralist/ nomadism rights No specific mention.

Cultural heritage No specific mention.

Environment No specific mention.

Water or riparian rights or access	No specific mention.
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## **Security sector**

Security Guarantees	No specific mention.
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Ceasefire	No specific mention.
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Police	No specific mention.
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Armed forces	No specific mention.
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DDR	No specific mention.
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Intelligence services	No specific mention.
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Parastatal/ rebel and opposition group forces	No specific mention.
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Withdrawal of foreign forces	No specific mention.
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Corruption	No specific mention.
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Crime/ organised crime	No specific mention.
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Drugs No specific mention.

Terrorism No specific mention.

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## **Transitional justice**

Transitional  
justice  
general No specific mention.

Amnesty/  
pardon No specific mention.

Courts No specific mention.

Mechanism No specific mention.

Prisoner  
release No specific mention.

Vetting No specific mention.

Victims No specific mention.

Missing  
persons No specific mention.

Reparations No specific mention.

Reconciliation No specific mention.

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## Implementation

UN  
signatory No specific mention.

Other  
international  
signatory No specific mention.

Referendum  
for  
agreement No specific mention.

International  
mission/  
force/similar No specific mention.

Enforcement  
mechanism No specific mention.

Related  
cases No specific mention.

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